

CH159b; Maths Part 2; Matrices—simultaneous equations and determinants**Problems**

1 evaluate the following matrix products

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \quad (b) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \quad (c) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$(d) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \quad (e) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \quad (f) \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} =$$

2 express the following sets of simultaneous equations in matrix notation

$$(a) \begin{cases} x - y = 3 \\ 2x - y = 4 \end{cases} \quad (b) \begin{cases} x + y = -3 \\ 2x - y = 4 \end{cases} \quad (c) \begin{cases} 3u + 2v = 2 \\ 2u - y = -2 \end{cases}$$

$$(d) \begin{cases} x + y + z = 1 \\ 2x - y + 2z = 2 \\ x - 2y - z = 3 \end{cases} \quad (e) \begin{cases} 2x + y = 1 \\ y - 2z = 2 \\ x - z = 1 \end{cases}$$

3 find the inverse of the following matrices, and verify that they satisfy $\underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}^{-1}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} = \underline{\underline{\mathbf{1}}}$

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & 0.6 \\ -0.6 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix} \quad (d) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence solve the following sets of simultaneous equations

$$(a) \begin{cases} 2x + 3y = 1 \\ 3x + 4y = 2 \end{cases} \quad (b) \begin{cases} y - 2u = 1 \\ 3y + 4u = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$(c) \begin{cases} 0.8x + 0.6y = 1 \\ -0.6x + 0.8y = 2 \end{cases} \quad (d) \begin{cases} 2u + 3v = 0 \\ 4u + 6v = 0 \end{cases}$$

4 Evaluate the following determinants

$$(a) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad (b) \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \quad (c) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 10 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(d) \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 10 \end{vmatrix} \quad (e) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad (f) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{vmatrix}$$

Answers

1 evaluate the following matrix products

(a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 0

(d) 3 (e) can't! (f) can't
(more accurately: not in this course)

2 express the following sets of simultaneous equations in matrix notation

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

(d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ (e) $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

3 find the inverse of the following matrices, and verify that they satisfy $\underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}^{-1}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} = \underline{\underline{\mathbf{1}}}$

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} 0.4 & 0.2 \\ -0.3 & 0.1 \end{pmatrix}$ (c) $\begin{pmatrix} 0.8 & -0.6 \\ 0.6 & 0.8 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) undefined

Hence solve the following sets of simultaneous equations

(a) $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ (b) $\begin{pmatrix} y \\ u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.4 \\ .2 \end{pmatrix}$

(c) $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.4 \\ 2.2 \end{pmatrix}$ (d) many solutions: $u = -1.5v$

4 Evaluate the following determinants

(a) 1 (b) -1 (c) 5
(d) 0 (e) 14 (f) 28